

Procedure for Labelling Caviar Containers and Approval of Standard Format for Reports of Holders of Caviar Handling Licences

Regulation No. 38 of the Minister of the Environment of 27 July 2009

The Regulation is established on the basis of subsection 59¹ (9) of the Nature Conservation Act.

§ 1. Scope of application

This Regulation establishes the procedure for the labelling of caviar containers and approves the standard format for labels and for the reports of holders (hereinafter handler) of caviar handling licences (hereinafter licence).

§ 2. Labelling of containers

(1) The handler of caviar shall provide each primary container (tin, jar or other receptacle) into which caviar is packaged with a label which is non-reusable, taking account of the following conditions:

- 1) a non-reusable label means any label or mark that cannot be removed undamaged or transferred to another container;
- 2) a non-reusable label may be used for sealing the container;
- 3) if the primary container has not been sealed with a non-reusable label, the caviar shall be packaged such that the opening of the container can be visually detected;
- 4) a non-reusable label shall be attached directly to the container or to the label on the container;

(2) The labels affixed to caviar containers shall be issued by the Environmental Board.

§ 3. Information entered on labelling of container

(1) Upon packaging caviar at a processing plant, the label shall include the following information:

- 1) a standard species code as provided in Annex 1;
- 2) the source code of the caviar as provided in Annex 2;
- 3) the ISO two-letter code for the country of origin;
- 4) the year of harvest;
- 5) the official registration code of the processing plant;

6) the lot identification number for the caviar (a number that corresponds to information related to the caviar tracking system used by the processing plant).

(2) A caviar processing plant is a facility in the country of origin responsible for the first packaging of caviar into a primary container.

(3) Upon packaging caviar at a repackaging plant, the label shall include the following information:

1) a standard species code as provided in Annex 1;

2) the source code of the caviar as provided in Annex 2;

3) the ISO two-letter code for the country of origin;

4) the year of repackaging;

5) the official registration code of the repackaging plant, which incorporates the ISO two-letter code of the country of repackaging if different from the country of origin;

6) the lot identification number (a number that corresponds to information related to the caviar tracking system used by the repackaging plant), or CITES export permit or re-export certificate number.

(4) A caviar repackaging plant is a facility responsible for receiving and repackaging caviar into new primary containers.

§ 4. Handler's report

(1) A report is a document which is submitted by the handler each year regarding activities during the previous calendar year and which contains information regarding caviar which has been imported, exported, re-exported, processed on site, stored, marketed or classified as substandard.

(2) A handler shall submit a report to the Environmental Board on the form provided for in Annex 3 by 1 February of the year following the accounting year.

(3) A handler shall preserve documentation regarding caviar which is imported, exported, re-exported, processed on site, stored, marketed or classified as substandard for at least ten years and shall submit these at the request of a competent agency.

Annex 1 to Regulation No. 38 of the Minister of the Environment of 27 July 2009 “Procedure for Labelling Caviar Containers and Approval of Standard Format for Reports of Holders of Caviar Handling Licences”

Standard Species Codes for Sturgeon and Paddlefish Species, Hybrids and Mixed Species

Species	Code
<i>Acipenser baerii</i> : Siberian Sturgeon	BAE
<i>Acipenser baerii baicalensis</i> : Baikal Sturgeon	BAI
<i>Acipenser brevirostrum</i> : Shortnosed Sturgeon	BVI
<i>Acipenser dabryanus</i> : Yangtze Sturgeon (Dabry's sturgeon, Changjiang Sturgeon, River Sturgeon)	DAB
<i>Acipenser fulvescens</i> : Lake Sturgeon (Freshwater Sturgeon, Great Lakes Sturgeon, Red Sturgeon, Rock Sturgeon, Ruddy Sturgeon, Shell-back Sturgeon, Smoothback, Stone Sturgeon, Bony Sturgeon)	FUL
<i>Acipenser gueldenstaedtii</i> : Russian Sturgeon	GUE
<i>Acipenser medirostris</i> : Green Sturgeon	MED
<i>Acipenser mikadoi</i> : Sakhalin Sturgeon	MIK
<i>Acipenser naccarii</i> : Adriatic Sturgeon (Italian Sturgeon)	NAC
<i>Acipenser nudiiventris</i> : Ship Sturgeon	NUD
<i>Acipenser oxyrinchus</i> : Atlantic Sturgeon	OXY
<i>Acipenser oxyrinchus desotoi</i> : Gulf Sturgeon	DES
<i>Acipenser persicus</i> : Persian Sturgeon (Fringebarbel Sturgeon, Thorn Sturgeon, Spiny Sturgeon)	PER
<i>Acipenser ruthenus</i> : Sterlet	RUT
<i>Acipenser schrencki</i> : Amur Sturgeon	SCH

<i>Acipenser sinensis</i> : Chinese Sturgeon	SIN
<i>Acipenser stellatus</i> : Stellate Sturgeon (Sevruga, Star Sturgeon, Starry Sturgeon)	STE
<i>Acipenser sturio</i> : Common Sturgeon (Baltic Sturgeon)	STU
<i>Acipenser transmontanus</i> : White Sturgeon	TRA
<i>Huso dauricus</i> : Kaluga Sturgeon	DAU
<i>Huso huso</i> : Giant sturgeon (Beluga, Great Sturgeon)	HUS
<i>Polyodon spathula</i> : American Paddlefish	SPA
<i>Psephurus gladius</i> : Chinese paddlefish (Chinese Swordfish)	GLA
<i>Pseudoscaphirhynchus fedtschenkoi</i> : Syr-Dar Shovelnose	FED
<i>Pseudoscaphirhynchus hermanni</i> : Small Amu-Dar Shovelnose	HER
<i>Pseudoscaphirhynchus kaufmanni</i> : Large Amu-Dar Shovelnose (False Shovelnose Sturgeon, Shovelfish)	KAU
<i>Scaphirhynchus albus</i> : Pallid Sturgeon (White Hackleback, White Shovelnose)	ALB
<i>Scaphirhynchus platyrhynchus</i> : Shovelnose Sturgeon (Switchtail, Sand Sturgeon, Oregon Sturgeon, Sacramento Sturgeon)	PLA
<i>Scaphirhynchus suttkusi</i> : Alabama Sturgeon	SUS
Mixed species (for “pressed” caviar exclusively)	MIX
Hybrid specimens: code for the species of the male x code for the species of the female	YYYxXXX

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Caviar Source Codes

W - specimens taken from the wild

R - specimens originating from a ranching operation

D - Annex A specimens bred in captivity for commercial purposes in accordance with Chapter XIII of Regulation (EC) No 865/2006.

C - Annex A specimens bred in captivity for non-commercial purposes and Annexes B and C specimens bred in captivity in accordance with Chapter XIII of Regulation (EC) No 865/2006.

F - specimens born in captivity, but for which the criteria of Chapter XIII of Regulation (EC) No 865/2006 are not met.

I - confiscated or seized specimens ¹

O - pre-convention ¹

U - source unknown (must be justified)

¹ To be used only with some other origin code.

Annex 3 to Regulation No. 38 of the Minister of the Environment of 27 July 2009 “Procedure for Labelling Caviar Containers and Approval of Standard Format for Reports of Holders of Caviar Handling Licences”

Standard Format of Report Submitted by Holder of Caviar Handling Licence

Information on holder of handling licence	
Caviar handling licence no	
Business name	
Address	

Place of caviar handling	
Responsible employee	
Telephone	
E-mail	
Registry code	
Primary area of activity	
Secondary areas of activity	
Year of reporting	

Imported caviar	
Quantity	
Source code	
Country of origin	
Labels	
Import permit no	

Exported caviar	
Quantity	
Source code	
Country of origin	
Country of destination	
Labels	
Export permit no	

Processed caviar	
Quantity	
Source code	
Country of origin	
Other information regarding origin (farm, import licence no)	
Labels	

Marketed caviar	
Quantity	
Source code	
Country of origin	
Other information regarding origin (farm, import permit no)	
Country of destination	
Destination company	
Labels	

Stored caviar	
Quantity	
Source code	
Country of origin	
Other information regarding origin (farm, import licence no)	
Labels	

Substandard caviar	
Quantity	
Source code	
Country of origin	
Other information regarding origin (farm, import licence no)	
Labels	
Reason for classification as substandard	